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Concert benefits relief effort

JOSH NYTKO
News Writer

PUC students joined the war against terrorism by attending the second annual PUC charity concert, "Music for the Masses," which took place Oct. 5 in Alumni Hall.

SGA and The Chronicle sponsored the charity concert. All proceeds were donated to The Red Cross to aid the relief efforts of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Admittance to the event was $7. PUC students with a photo ID or those with a clothing or food donation were admitted for $5. Inside Alumni Hall six bands, unlimited Aurelio's pizza and soft drinks awaited students.

Chris Gryzch, a sophomore majoring in finance, said the event was definitely worth the money.

"I would definitely come back next year," he said.

"Music for the Masses" featured six local artists; double last year's three. These artists were 9mm, Corey Rogers, Friend of a Friend, Groovatron, Quarter Turn and Soulvasq.

The only returning artist from last year's event was Soulvasq. The members of Soulvasq agreed that this event was among the noblest cause the band has ever supported. The band unanimously declared that they would definitely come back for a third charity concert.

John Prestipino, lead guitarist for Quarter Turn said, "The event and the cause are worthwhile." Prestipino said, "The main reason the band played the event was to support and draw

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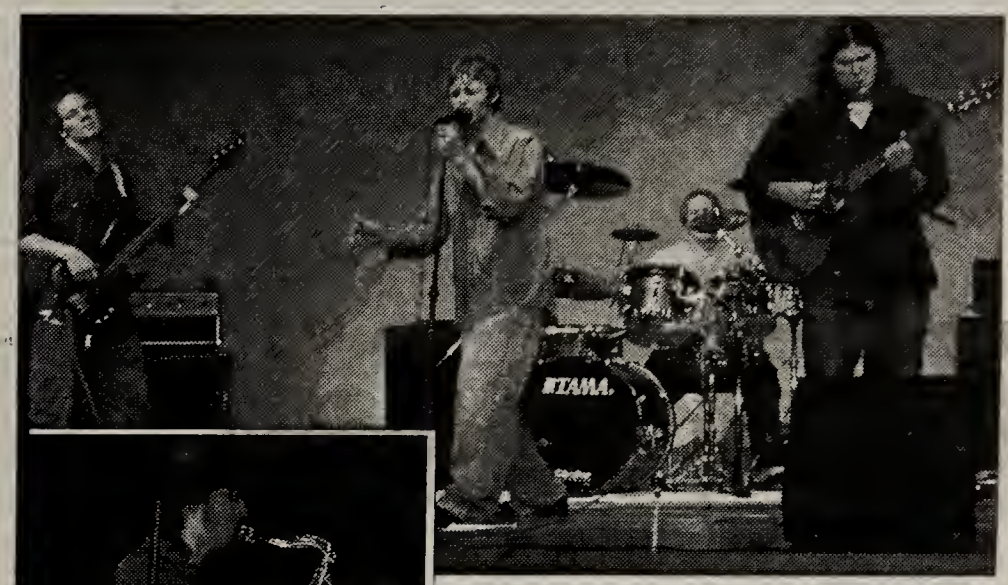

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The band Quarter Turn (top) volunteered their time and played at "Music for the Masses": PUC's Second Annual Charity Concert Oct. 5. Quarter Turn also contributed to a compilation CD featuring 8 local acts. All sales of the CD were donated to the American Red Cross.
Tony McCullough of Groovatron (left) plays his sax and gets his 'groove' on at "Music for the Masses."

Open house provides awareness

JOCELYN GALLEGOS
News Writer

The Women's Studies program hosted its annual open house where current issues were discussed and the program was made more visible to the regional and campus community.

"The open house is a social gathering. It is a time to enjoy being in each other's company," Colette Morrow, coordinator of the open house and director of the women's studies program, said.

The open house was held Oct. 4 from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. in SFLC-150D.

The event was open to all students, faculty, members of the community and organizations. Some students expressed their thoughts about the women's studies program at the open house.

"I love Introduction to Women's Studies. It's my first class and I wanted to take it to find out more about feminist ideas," Ellen Paladini, sophomore with an undecided major, said.

Paladini said that she does not think the university takes the program seriously because it does not offer a major in women's studies. She said that she would major in women's studies if it were offered.

Billie Jean Gamble-Fisher, graduate student in mass communication, agreed.

"It is a shame that the women's studies program does not have as much notoriety as it did in the mid-90s," Gamble-Fisher said.

Morrow said the program lacks notoriety because it has extremely limited resources. She said the program has a budget for student wages that totals $1,307.79 and $1,030.79 for supplies and expenses.

Morrow said the students' wages is used to employ students as clerical support, but on average the funds run out after the fall semester. She said that the program relies largely on volunteer work.

Other issues that were discussed included the terrorist attacks and diversity. Morrow said the program is responding to the violence of recent weeks by planning activities that re-focus attention on respect for diversity. She said it is possible to pledge our respect for diversity by signing a banner that will be presented to representatives of Muslim communities in Northwest Indiana. The banner is available at the women's studies desk in CLO 216.

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Courses offered in 2002

- ❒ Mothers and Daughters in Literature
- ❒ Introduction to Women's Studies
- ❒ Women in the Media
- ❒ Advanced Women's Studies
- ❒ Social psychology of Marriage and Family
- ❒ Gender in Social Work Fiction
- ❒ Human Sexuality

Photo by Michael D. Stewart

Billie Jean Fisher, (left) graduate student, and Kathy Brown, special education instructor, talk at the Women's Studies Open House.

Hispanic Heritage Month celebrated

LAUREN GOETZ
News Writer

PUC students and faculty honor Hispanic Heritage Month by participating in many cultural based projects.

Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15. Carmen Torres, a Spanish professor, is an active member of the National Conference of Puerto Rican Women. This organization was named the most active organization in the area. The organization is trying to get away from the stereotypes surrounding the Hispanic culture. They believe that Hispanic heritage is important but they also want to contribute to the community. Torres said they have these concerns all year round, not only during Hispanic Heritage Month.

NaCOPRW sponsored a health fair at the Roberto Clemente Center in East Chicago. Everyone was welcome to attend. Free services, such as hearing, AIDS and blood tests, were offered to those in attendance.

Students are involved with Hispanic Heritage Month as well as professors. John Henry Flores, a senior majoring in history, completed an internship with the

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The Women's Studies Program hosts a brown bag forum Oct. 16 from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. in SFLC 321.

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

Another way to help is through the Lake Area United Way

We've seen a wonderful spirit of helping and giving on campus in recent weeks.

Since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on our nation, Americans have reached out to assist in various ways. Our campus has been no exception. The efforts of our students especially deserve praise. From ribbon sales to a candlelight vigil to a relief concert, our students and their respective organizations have stepped up big time to help Americans in need.

Last week, another helping opportunity was introduced on campus. But for this opportunity, the victims reside right here in the Calumet Region.

Support to 46 local agencies

For years, Purdue Calumet has sponsored an annual campaign in support of the Lake Area United Way (LAUW). The LAUW is a non-profit, community based organization that collects and distributes funding to 46 local health and human service agencies.

Those agencies are:

ALSE-Clemente Center, Inc.
American Cancer Society
Bethany Child Care & Dev. Center
Boys & Girls Clubs of NWI
Boy Scouts of America, Calumet Council
The Caring Place, Inc.
Catholic Family Services
Cerebral Palsy of NWI, Inc.
Consumer Credit Counseling Services
Contact Cares, Inc.
Crisis Center, Inc.
Deaf Services, Inc.
Drifting Dunes Girl Scout Council
Gary Neighborhood Services
Girl Scouts of the Calumet Council
Haven House
Hobart Family YMCA
Indiana Legal Services
IN-PACT, Inc.
International Inst. of NWI
Jewish Community Services
Lake Co. Assn. for the Retarded
Lansing Assn. for the Retarded
Latin Am. Community Alliance for Support & Assistance
Lutheran Social Services
Marion Home Foundation
Meals on Wheels of NWI
Mental Health Assn. in Lake Co.
Northwest Family Services, Inc.
NWI Catholic Youth Org.
NWI Sickle Cell Foundation
Referral & Emergency Service
Retired Senior Volunteer Program
Robertson Child Dev. Center
St. Jude House
Salvation Army
Serenity House of Gary
Southlake YMCA
Summer Enrichment Program for Students with Disabilities
TradeWinds Rehabilitation Center
Twin City Community Services
Urban League of NWI
Woodland Child Dev. Center
YMCA of the Hammond Area
YWCA of Gary

Campus campaign continues through Nov. 16

This year's campus campaign kicked off last Wednesday with a rally in Alumni Hall. Through Campus Mail, faculty and staff have been invited to pledge their monetary support. Our campus goal is "$21,001 in 2001," and we're off to a great start!

In an effort to capture the spirit our students have demonstrated in helping fellow Americans during the aftermath of Sept. 11, we're inviting students to participate in this year's Lake Area United Way campaign, which continues through Nov. 16. Four students—Jennifer Berg, Billie Jean Fisher, Joyce Hestermann and Bill Rogers—are serving on our Lake Area United Way Campus Cabinet.

The easiest way for students to participate is to drop their coins in the blue Lake Area United Way canisters that are located near the cashiers of the Oaken Arbor Market Café in the SFLC, the Grab 'N' Go in the CLO and the recreation desk in the PER building.

How much help can a few coins provide? Plenty!

- The price of one can of soda pop for seven days provides childcare for a day.
- The price of two McDonald's meal deals provides a family a day's amount of food.
- The price of two packs of cigarettes provides a day of senior day care.
- The price of one Whopper meal deal provides two meals at a local shelter.

Students also can make a gift by cash, check or charge by filling out a form that is available in the Office of University Relations (LAWS 356). If donors would like to designate their contribution to one or two specific LAUW-supported agencies, there is a place to indicate that on the form.

Maybe student organizations would care to wage some friendly competition among one another for donor dollars. That, too, can be arranged.

Time and time again, the generosity of Purdue Calumet students, faculty and staff is evident. Another opportunity, through the Lake Area United Way, is before us. Thanks for reaching out with your help.

What's goin' on?

A look around campus

Co-Ed volleyball hosts call out meeting for new season

Co-Ed 6 on 6 Intramural Volleyball will start October 18 at 7 p.m. and end November 29. All games will be played Thursday nights at the PUC gym. Each team must have three male and three female players, and all must be members of the TFC. The call out meeting will be held October 16 at 6:30 p.m. and one member from each team must attend to fill out roster and receive start time for the first game. For more information call 989-2175.

HACE hosts conference

The Hispanic Alliance for Career Enhancement (HACE) will host its 16th Annual Career Conference at the Palmer House Hilton in Chicago Oct. 18. The HACE Career Conference is comprised of a job fair, career development workshops for Hispanic professionals and college students, and a high-powered networking reception. The job fair and workshops are few with submission of resume. Pre-registration is required. For further information, contact HACE at 312-435-0498 or visit www.hace-usa.org to register Online.

SHPE seeks new members

The Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers is looking for new members to join the organization. This non-for-profit organization devotes its time to developing professionalism and community service. For more information contact *Ibrahim Issa at (219) 689-6623 or e-mail* issa45@home.com.

IVCF provides new times for weekly prayer meetings

Intervarsity Christian Fellowship will hold half hour prayer meetings Mondays at 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m., Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m., Wednesdays at 11:30 a.m. and 2 p.m., and Thursdays at 1 p.m. in SFLC-344C. Send e-mail to IVCF@axp.-calumet.purdue.edu for more information.

PUGG seeks more players

Purdue University Gamers' Guild, an organization for students interested in role-playing games like Dungeons & Dragons, is seeking new members for the fall semester. No experience is required to play. Several weekly games form each semester. For more information contact President Will at lordwill@angelfire.com .

Photo Club seeks new members for fall semester

Purdue University Photo Club seeks students interested in photography. Weekly meetings this fall are scheduled Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m. Contact Stew at PUCphotoclub@yahoo.com for more information or to join.

SHRM announces new meetings for fall semester

The Society for Human Resource Management will host meetings Oct. 16, Oct. 30, Nov. 13 and Nov. 27 at 5 p.m. in Gyte 116. Those who are unable to attend but still wish to participate can e-mail Ron McCullough at pucshrmpres@yahoo.com

Hoosier Adapt welcomes members throughout semester

Hoosier Adapt has updated their Web site, which can be viewed at axp.calumet.purdue.edu/~hsradapt/index.htm. Those interested in joining should contact Andrea Murray at 932-4614 or Student Support Services at 989-2544. All students are welcome to join.

The Chronicle seeks production designers

The Chronicle is looking to fill positions in its design department. Interested applicants will learn valuable skills in graphic design, using various programs and applications such as Quark Express, Corel and Adobe Photoshop. Stop in for an application at SFLC-344H or call 989-2547 for more information.

The Chronicle seeks news, entertainment, sports writers

The Chronicle is looking for writers in its news, entertainment and sports departments. Experience is helpful but not required. Stop in for an application at SFLC-344H or call 989-2547 for more information.

Say what?

'Let us not burden our remembrances with a heaviness that's gone.'

-William Shakespeare
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Chancellor appoints two long -time vacant positions

■ New administrators appointed to PUC staff.

Appointments of the two Purdue University Calumet administrators have been announced by Chancellor Howard Cohen.

Dolores M. Stuer-Wagner of Crown Point has been named interim vice chancellor for advancement. J. Allen Johnson, formerly of Green Bay, Wis., joins the university staff as executive assistant to the chancellor.

"We're pleased to add to our administrative staff two individuals with such capable and impressive backgrounds," Cohen said. "They fill positions that have been vacant for several months. With their appointments, I feel confident that we have a senior leadership team in place poised and committed to help Purdue Calumet move forward, including that of directing the university's strategic plan for excellence."

Dolores M. Stuer-Wagner and J. Allen Johnson

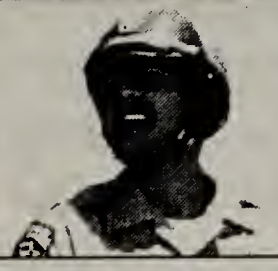
Stuer-Wagner, who previously held wide-ranging administrating positions for Ameritech before retiring last year, agreed to head Purdue Calumet's advancement operation on a temporary basis until a search for a permanent vice chancellor is conducted. In her position she oversees the university's development, alumni relations and university relations operations.

She offers extensive northwest Indiana in community and government affairs, interacting with Congressional leaders, managing and growing a contribution budget, and other aspects of business, sales and office management.

As executive assistant to the chancellor, Johnson represents the chancellor in various campus, regional and statewide functions. He also will provide assistance in government- and community-related matters. Additionally, his job calls for him to help the university be responsive to students, faculty, staff, alumni and other university publics.

Johnson offers a background in law, having worked as a staff attorney for the Federal Trade Commission. He also formed a consulting company to provide diversity training. Most recently, he has served as executive director of the Multicultural Center of Greater Green Bay Institute for Cultural awareness and Cooperation.

The PUC Police Report



Monday, Oct. 1, 9:25 a.m. A student experienced a diabetic seizure in the CLO Building. Hammond Fire Department was notified and the victim was treated at the scene.

Monday, Oct. 1, 12:15 p.m. A minor traffic accident occurred in the P-9 lot. Two automobiles backed into each other while attempting to exit their parking spaces.

Tuesday, Oct. 2, 10 a.m. A student walking from the P-6 to the P-1 parking lot sustained a twisted ankle when walking into the grass parkway. The victim was treated at the scene.

Tuesday, Oct. 2, 5:05 p.m. A minor traffic accident occurred in the P-9 lot. Two automobiles backed into each other while attempting to exit their parking spaces.

Wednesday, Oct. 3, 3:40 p.m. A student sustained a laceration to the left index finger in the SFLC. The victim was treated at the scene.

Celebrate autumn, take a walk on the Tree Trail

Tie a yellow ribbon around the old oak tree ... or the sugar maple ... or the river birch ... or the more than 50 other varieties of trees found here at PUC.

The 2.2-mile Tree Trail provides individuals an opportunity to become educated in tree identification and proper usage of trees in an urban landscape. Most Indiana tree species are represented on the trail. A printed and illustrated Tree Trail Guide is available to enhance one's experience along the trail.

The Tree Trail Guides include a map of tree locations, tree descriptions and leaf illustrations. Small informational signs are posted at the foot of each tree on the trail. The signs note species, height and growth rate.

"The Tree Trail Guide gives people an idea of the trees' good and bad characteristics, which can be helpful when selecting a tree, John Bachman, grounds supervisor, said. "It also makes it easy for children collecting leaves for school, because there are no mistakes in identification; all the information is right there."

According to Bachman, who also leads group tours along the Tree Trail, the trees' changing color foliage likely will peak in mid-October. "Ashes and locusts will have turned yellow first, and maples and oaks will be changing to yellow, orange and red, he said.

Tree Trails Guides may be obtained at the information centers. Groups interested in guided tours may call the grounds department at 219-989-2470.

The Tree Trail
Tree Trail Guides include map information and illustrations Guides can be found in the information center. Tours can be arranged by calling 989-2470

There are over 50 types of trees on the Tree Trail on campus.

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Organizations, students can do even more

On October 5, 2001, the Chronicle newspaper and the Student Government Association sponsored "Music for the Masses," the second annual charity concert held to sponsor a needy charity. This year, the charity concert raised funds for the American Red Cross with proceeds going to both local charities and to the Disaster Relief Fund. The charity concert was held in the SFLC building in Alumni Hall.

Six bands were invited to come out and play in front of an audience. The six bands that played at the charity concert were Friend of a Friend, Groovatron, 9MM, Soulvasq. Each band did a great job in entertaining the crowd. Some of the bands donated to the American Red Cross by selling t-shirts and CDs. The bands donated all of the proceeds to the charity. The charity concert brought back great results because a little over than 160 people attended this event. Among the spectators were students, faculty and administrators from PUC, including Chancellor Cohen, people from the community and students from other universities. Many people also donated items of clothing and canned goods.

The charity concert raised $1039.18 Friday night, overseeing the goal of 1000 dollars. The proceeds will go to the American Red Cross and will be distributed to the Disaster Relief Fund to help the victims and families of the Sept. 11 attacks.

Without the help of the students, faculty, administrators, community and bands, "Music for the Masses" would not have been a success. This year six bands volunteered their time to help a good cause. Students helped to raise almost double the proceeds than last year's concert. Everyone who attended should feel proud they helped the cause.

A few things ought to be remembered in the time following such a successful event. It does not have to end here. We as students on this campus see injustices marked by statistics in our textbooks. We hear the stories of those that we care about who suffer from life's tragedies. Help is always needed by so many people for so many reasons. There is not one reason why we cannot help in any way we can.

As the holidays near, we need to think about those who have been affected by circumstances out of their control; homelessness, domestic abuse, terrorism, cancer, and AIDS are just some of the phenemona facing our generation. It is our hope that events like the charity concert, the candlelight vigil on Sept. 19, and other organizational charity drives will not only make an impact, but spur others to do more, keep going, take a stand.

We have experienced a multitude of tragedies here in our country. The pain may never subside. The tears may never stop flowing for good. However, we can all show our support and good nature by getting involved in any planning of a charity event. It takes hard work, patience, time and dedication. But the resulting accomplishment, whether measured in money or thank you cards, will never be forgotten.

To plan an on-campus event , call Karen Raymond at 989- 2133

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The People Speak

Question of the Week: How do you feel about the recent bombings of Afghanistan by the U.S. military?

Alex Hernandez
sophomore, criminal justice
"They are doing their job to get Osama bin Laden. The Taliban are not cooperating so they are getting what they deserve."

Chip Lessner
sophomore, computer science
"As long as we are picking appropriate targets, I fully support the action."

Jesus Cervera
senior, accounting
"I am for it. Because of the fact that if we do not put a stop to it, it will get worse in the future. We are setting an example for the rest of the world saying we will not tolerate it."

Vonnie McClendon
sophomore, web design
"I am undecided."

Mark Anthony
sophomore, MET
"I agree."

Jeff Swagerty
junior, sociology/ public relations
"I felt they could have taken other precautions. What they may have been I do not know but they have families over there also and I do not want the innocent to be hurt."

Strength through our free speech

JAMES M. MCNABNEY
News Writer

In the aftermath of the horrific tragedy that struck our nation September 11, we as Americans have a burden that has been put upon us. In a volatile time when it is easy to lash out at a person who looks like our enemy or has a name that sounds like our enemy, we must refrain from this impulse. At a time when it hurts to hear other citizens of our nation continue to criticize their own country, we must take a deep breath and allow them to do so. When people generalize that the problems of the world are caused by America simply because we are successful and prosperous, we must allow our citizens the right to this opinion. Indeed, one of the many freedoms a citizen of our country can choose is the right to be a victim and to blame the miseries of life, that all people rich or poor must face, on a convenient scapegoat; be that capitalism, America, or a supposed new world order.

In the months and years to come we may see our country have to resort to having a camera on every street corner and armed soldiers on all vehicles of public transportation. One thing we cannot allow to happen is the inhibition of the right to free speech. Without this right our country will lose the most important freedom our grandfathers, great-grandfathers and forefathers fought so hard to preserve and protect.

Instead of forming laws prohibiting speech against our country during sensitive times such as these, we must rise above our sensitivities and use this same right to free speech to tell nay-sayers of our country exactly why they are wrong! If someone says that our nation has done more harm to the world than good, I would like to see the figures of destruction compared with the devastation and tyranny that would have overtaken the world in so many situations if American had done nothing. How many more innocent Jews would have been executed in WWII? How many more people would have been brutally murdered in Kosovo under Slobodan Milosevic's ethnic cleansing policies? In a way, the negative comments about our country only make us stronger because they force the rest of us to think about all the great things that America has done, and we become even sounder in our own national philosophy and patriotism.

So the next time you hear someone saying that we as Americans brought this situation upon ourselves or that we have treated anyone unfairly, instead of turning violent or turning to lawmakers to start enforcing a thought-crime policy with an Orwellian brigade of police breaking down outspoken people's doors and apprehending them, show them the intelligent respect that is necessary for them to look at their own views and the evidence that refutes and combats those views. Channeling our emotions into intelligent, constructive debate will shed light on shady generalities, unfounded blame and one-sided reasoning. Through open discussion we will understand each other's views all the more and the feelings behind these views. Freedom of speech can only strengthen America and make our people even more united.

Letters to the editor

Dear Editor,

I have never before encountered ninth graders who do not know how much is four times four or six times six. I have never before encountered ninth graders, male and female, who would routinely address their teacher as "Dog," would routinely and physically threaten him if he writes a discipline slip, snatch away the discipline slip, snatch away the telephone if he calls security, block him if he tries to leave the class room, taunt him of being scared of them, pelt him with missiles if he turns to write on the board.

Only in America—truly a nation of barbarians! I have said that the West's 'advantage' over the rest of the world is the freer rein given to the animal instincts of aggression and sexuality, which, in the long run, is dysfunctional and cancerous and threatens the survival of mankind. The United States could do itself and the world a favor by bringing back corporal punishment in its schools. Other countries can do themselves a favor by stopping sending students to American schools and, instead, using their own resources (such as the undersigned) for research and education.

Satish Chandra

Dear Editor,

I read your article, "Patriotism found abundant on campus." I do not see the patriotism on campus by the university. Today, I looked for an American flag displayed on campus, I looked in the main student lounge, in the cafeteria, outside the coffee shop, in the computer lab, in the main court yard, in the study lounge by the coffee shop, by the registration office and both digital displays showed nothing. Not one flag. Finally, I found one American flag on display in a showcase by the bookstore; which was partially covered by merchandise. It seems strange that the university does not show any patriotism. Students have shown their patriotism by displaying flags and bumper stickers on their vehicles. Almost every house in my neighborhood has some sort of American symbol. As American troops are risking their lives to protect our way of life, Purdue University does not have the decency to acknowledge them by simply displaying an American flag.

Sincerely,
Alan Bryant

Concert

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attention to its cause, the relief efforts for the terrorist attacks." He said his band would do anything for charity.

Students were not the only people from the university to support the cause. Chancellor Howard Cohen was on hand to support the cause and the students. He said, "Any event that brings people together for such a noble cause is good for the university and good for the students." He said that was deeply impressed with the event and gave it his total support. He said students could definitely count on him being there for another charity concert because the music and the cause were phenomenal.

Nick Orange, vice-president of the student body, was happy to participate in this year's event. He said it was not an easy event to put together and it took endless planning, but in the end it was worth it.

The event exceeded the $1,000 goal, $1039.18 precisely, that the SGA and The Chronicle had hoped to reach. Both student organizations said they would like to work together on an event for the spring semester.

Photo by Kristin M. Harkin

9mm provided a black light, laser and fog show as the grand finale to the concert. In addition to original material, 9mm covered songs like "Head like a Hole," by Nine Inch Nails.

Hispanic

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McNair Program this past summer in which he did research on Mexican history. As a result of his research, he wrote a paper titled "Revisiting the Cristero Rebellion; Origins of the 1926 Bishop's Strike." His paper focuses on the rebellion that took place in Mexico from 1926-1929. Flores presented his paper at Indiana State University and a national conference held in Puerto Rico. He also plans on presenting this paper at a banquet sponsored by Los Latinos and the Society of Hispanic Engineers.

The PUC library is also doing its part to celebrate the month. The Library Art Gallery has a collection of photos and maps entitled "Border Studies" on display. The display is on loan to them from the Texas Humanities Council and features photos from eight different photographers. The photographs focus on the Texas-Mexico border. Some of the images on display include historic locations from the border, border patrol, farm work and a beauty pageant.

Kathryn H. Carpenter, director of Library Services and a professor of library science, said every year the library tries to make an exhibit to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, whether that display showcases photos, paintings or other media. She believes that it is important for this display to be done and done well.

"We try to provide exhibits that appeal to a wide audience" Carpenter said.

The display is open for all to see Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Awareness

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The program is currently in need of people who will maintain a web page and produce and circulate publicity materials. All are welcome to help. Some of the organizations that work closely with the women's studies program include the League of Women Voters, the Association of American University Women, Business and Professional Women and Parents Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays.

Upcoming events sponsored by the program include a forum about Business and Professional Women, Oct. 16; National Young Women's Day of Action, Oct. 18; and speakers from the Family Planning Clinic in East Chicago will discuss women's health care needs, Nov. 6.

Business and Professional Women to host its organizational meeting

The Merrillville/ Duneland Business and Professional Women (BPW) will discuss their organization at 6 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 16 at PUC in the SFLC building, room 321. The discussion is part of PUC's Women Studies Program Brown Bag Forum Series about issues of special interest to women.

The discussion will focus on BPW's programs to: provide networking opportunities, resources, career positioning, educational programs and visibility for its members, support women in achieving economic equity in the workplace, provide financial assistance to women seeking education to advance in their careers or reenter the workforce and conduct research and educational initiatives regarding issues affecting women in the workplace.

Business and Professional Women
What: Organizational meeting
When: Tuesday, Oct. 16, 6 p.m.
Where: SFLC 321
Questions?
Call 989- 2259

Since its founding, BPW USA has awarded more than $5 million in educational scholarships, grants and loans to more than 8,000 women nationwide, enabling recipients to achieve career advancement in today's workforce.

Admission to the discussion is free and participants may bring a "brown Bag' dinner.

Additional information can be obtained by contacting PUC's Women's Studies Program at 219-989-2259.

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'The Id' gives way to Macy's ego

LAUREN MATHEWS
Managing Editor

It must have felt really nice to be Macy Gray about two years ago. Calls from Elton John, Michael Jackson and other superstars of the like, all wanted to work with you because of your almost overnight success. This thirty-something mother of three became the darling of the Billboard charts with the release of her first album, "On How Life Is."

Critically acclaimed and generally raved about, her freshman effort quickly became my favorite of the year. However, her deep-thought provoking second release "the id" seems to fall short of the praise her first cd achieved.

"The id" boasts 13 pop-genre tracks, 11 of which failed to make any impact of this avid music fan. The first exception is the single "Sweet baby," a song and video that has received much props from VH1. This adorable ballad chronicles the love story of a couple beginning at the age of 4, through pre-pubescent and teenage years, up to the birth of *their baby girl and break up, ending with the beginning of their* daughter's sandbox love. Like its chorus, the song simply states "life is crazy/ but there's one thing that I'm sure of/ that I'm your lady/ always baby/ and I love you now and ever." Oh yeah.

The second exception revisits the ol' skool via a Slick Rick remake, "Hey young world part 2." Back in the day, when love raps were all the rave, "Hey young world" topped the charts and hearts of every Turkish link chain wearing, shell toed Reebok sporting 13-year-old girl. This second version of an oldie but goodie almost makes up for the rest of this bland, tasteless, colorless album.

Gray has not shown any sign of evolution in her music, as a matter of fact she has stayed stagnant. I am a great fan in the creed of "it isn't broke, don't fix it," but there is nothing wrong with tuning it up a little. Her second cd is just like her first one, which I already have so I don't need to spend the $13.99 on the second one.

Macy Gray
"The Id"
★★

Macy Gray

Elton John revisits the past with current affairs

Elton John has played a very diverse music career. His newest album revisits the music style of the 1970s.

JOE JUAREZ
Entertainment Writer

During the last thirty years, Elton John's career has had its share of musical style changes. Throughout the years, soundtracks, love ballads and disco tunes have defined his reputation as a successful singer and songwriter.

In his new album, "Songs From The West Coast," John reunites with Taupin and brings guests like Stevie Wonder and Rufus Wainwright to help revamp his old 1970s music style of the piano, guitar, drums, etc. The product of these collaborations is the best album that he has produced in well over two decades.

The album touches on several issues that John has expressed freely so many times in his life. In "Ballad of the Boy In The Red Shoes," Elton sings about a young dancer whose life is reflected before his very eyes as he is lying on his deathbed as a result of AIDS. "American Triangle" addresses hate crimes against homosexuals, specifically the murder of Matthew Shepherd, the University of Wyoming student who was beaten to death because he was gay.

In his new album, John doesn't totally abandon the love songs that he has become oh so famous for. In "I Want Love," he talks about feeling desperate when you cannot find the right someone to be with. It explains how somebody just wants to be loved without any strings attached.

Already the video for the song has received major air play on both MTV and VH1, partially due the lip-syncing talents of Robert Downey Jr.

Overall, "Songs From the West Coast" has proven to be Elton John's best work to date. With 2001 coming to a close, he has a few moments to look back on the memorable Grammy duet with Eminem for his song "Stan."

With a start of a world tour later this month starting in the United States, Elton John is hoping that the old rock cliché "going back to my roots" will prove successful.

Elton John
"Songs from the West Coast"
★★★★★

This week *The Chronicle* is foregoing "Dear Molly" that usually occupies this space to extend its heartfelt condolences to the Laczkowski family for the death of Michael L. Laczkowski, the father of James L. Laczkowski, entertainment editor at *The Chronicle*.

'Beautiful Garbage' trashes listeners

JOE JUAREZ
Entertainment Writer

When I first picked up Garbage's self titled debut album, the music conveyed the darker-side of the band. Songs such as the slow and depressing "Queer", the ever-trashy "Stupid Girl" and the joyous-free "Only Happy When it Rains" had that manic depressive edge to them and made me think that they had stamped their reputation as alternative/punk/glam rock band.

Three years later their sophomore album, Version 2.0, jumped to the opposite end of the spectrum putting across more of an "easy listening" persona. With songs like the ever psychotic "I Think I'm Paranoid", the easy feel of "When I Grow Up", which was featured in the Adam Sandler flick, Big Daddy and my favorite, "Special", which is set in the future where the band is basically fighting each other. From hearing that album, I thought the band had a change of heart on what type of band they should be. In fact, I thought the album was a pure hit for any easy-listening station because of the lack of aggression that the band had put forth as they had done on previous work.

"Beautiful Garbage" made its debut this October.

Their drastic change in sound is a bit confusing to some diehard fans who expect them to have lead singer Shirley Manson, belt out aggressive lyrics instead of flaunting her sexuality. In my own opinion, it is Britney Spears and Christina Aguilera's job to act like little miss perfect.

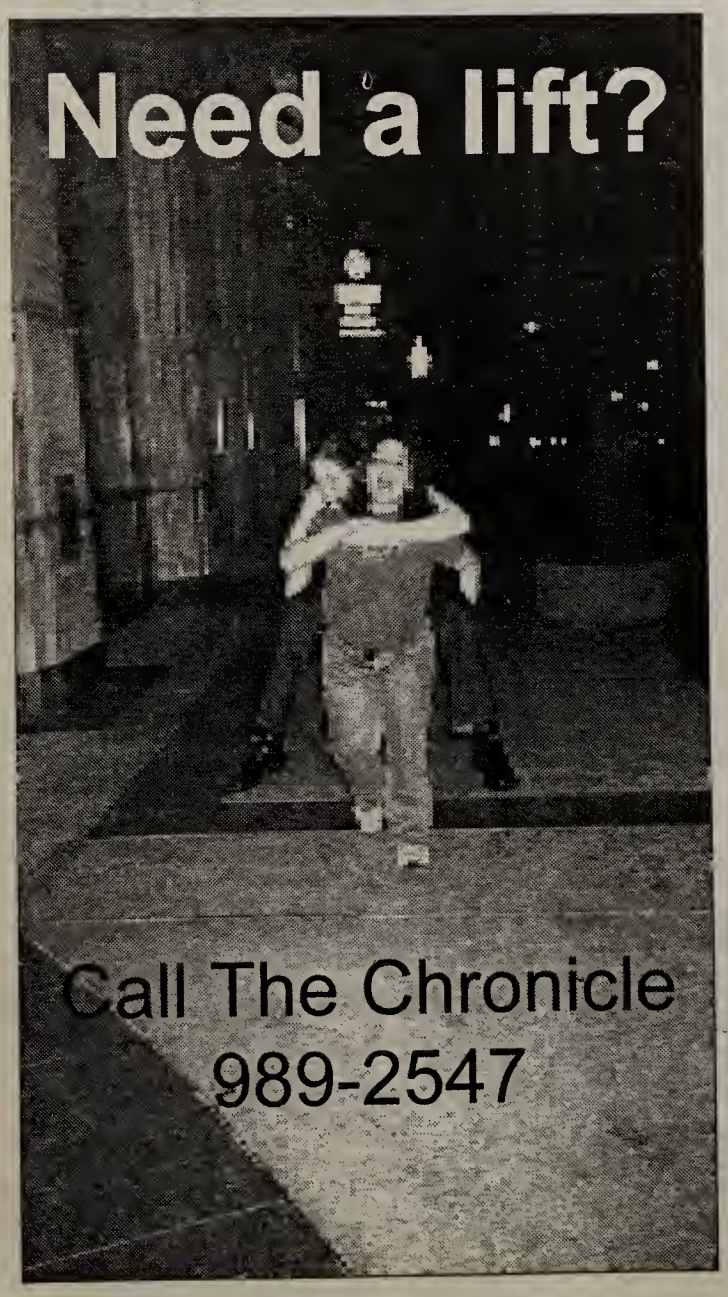
In "beautifulgarbage", Manson and her fellow garbage members put the confusion to rest. They somewhat put their musical genre down into the middle as just a rock band. Some songs on the album combine techno, alternative, a little bit of punk, glam, with a little 1960's doo-wop on the side.

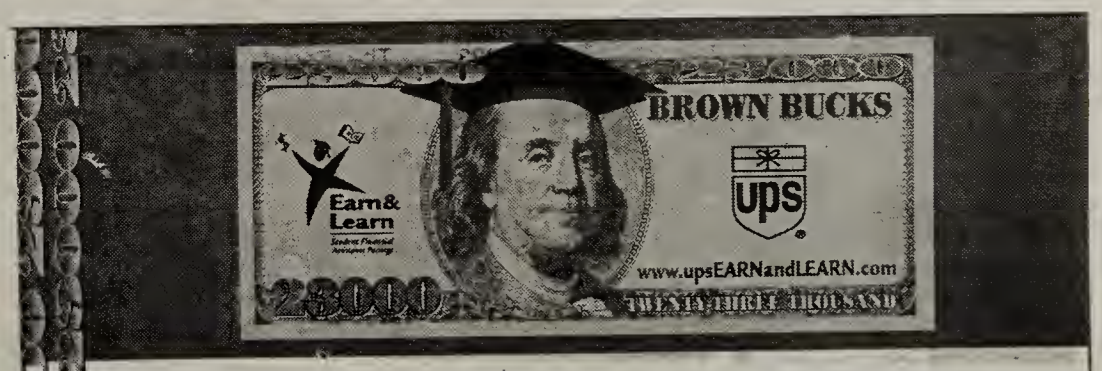
Picking up where Version 2.0 had left off three years ago, "beautifulgarbage" contains hits like the hard bass, guitar riffing of "Shut Your Mouth", to the softer 1960's doo-wop likes of "Drive You Home" and "Can't Cry These Tears". The song that is getting the most airplay on radio and TV is their first single amply entitled "Androgyny", which makes the listener believe that there are boys in the girls room and girls in the boys room. What "Androgyny" really means is self-discovery of ones sexual orientation. I mean, today we see people and we can't tell whether or not he's a she or she's a he.

In a way, I can say that "beautifulgarbage" did produce some good songs like "Shut Your Mouth" and "Androgyny", but with 1960's doo-wop, well, to me, it was less than beautiful.

"Drive You Home" and "Can't Cry These Tears" left me wondering why they even bothered to go into that genre of music. I mean come on now, this band has a lead singer that sounds like a voice of an aggressive female that probably doesn't take crap from anyone and she is singing songs that sound like the sixties. I don't know, I hope that they are still experimenting.

Garbage "Beautiful Garbage"
★★★





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Home run wars continue

FRANK SPRANKLE
Sports Editor

Until 1998, the major league record for most home runs in a single season stood for 37 years. It was in 1961 that the race between Roger Maris and Mickey Mantle of the New York Yankees, had the two teammates fight for the record, which was then 60 homers set by Babe Ruth. In the end, Maris came out on top of the two M&M boys as they were known then, with 61.

Three years ago, the attention of the baseball world centered on two individuals again, for the same record. But with Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa chasing history, the 1998 season could only be summed up as the "summer of swing."

Eventually, Big Mac would hit 70 as opposed to Slammin' Sammy's 66. Only this time, it would not take another 37 years to set a new record as everyone found out most recently.

Almost a week and a half ago, Barry Bonds of the San Francisco Giants finally surpassed McGwire and hit home run number 71 at Pacific Bell Park, off Chan Ho Park of the Los Angeles Dodgers. Bonds would then follow with another long ball in his next at bat, and then hit one more in the final game of the series, not to mention the season. And so, the home run record currently stands at 73, and for how long, nobody can really be sure.

After Bonds hit the record-breaking home run in the first inning October 5, the aftermath only lasted about five minutes. Certainly different from the night of September 8, 1998, when McGwire broke the record. That night, as one who saw it either at Busch Stadium or on television, will remember when McGwire greeted the Maris family, and as the Cardinals were playing the Cubs, Sammy came in from right field to personally congratulate him. In all, it lasted about 15 minutes.

When Bonds broke the record, it only took five minutes before the Giants and Dodgers resumed play, for he acknowledged his teammates and family, but addressed the fans at the end of the game, even though the Giants lost that night and as a result were eliminated from contending for post season play.

Earlier in the season, Bonds said he wanted something of Mark McGwire's. Not so much the record, but his ring, referring to Big Mac's World Series ring in which he won in 1989 as a member of the Oakland A's.

Lakers look to season with veteran leadership

FRANK SPRANKLE
Sports Editor

For the PUC Lakers, coming back to the court could not be any sweeter, even with the season starting less than a month away. A number of players have returned in what could be described as a continuous program. Already, training has begun with practice held daily.

Certainly, this team's work effort is geared toward improvement. Last year, the Lakers posted a 14-17 overall record, which featured a 4-8 mark in the CCAC (Chicago Collegiate Athletic Conference). However, the team core consisted mostly of a whole new roster, including a number of recruits, added in with a new coaching staff. In spite of the fact of winning their first three games, most of the year saw an up and down ride.

"Last year was one of the most frustrating seasons I have been apart of, but we had a number of new guys and a lot of our players did not know what to expect, but now they do," Head Coach Gary Hayes said, who begins his second season at the helm of the PUC mens' program.

During the summer months, the Lakers preparation for the new season began with most players contributing their time in open gym sessions. Last month, conditioning became the focal point of getting back into shape.

With practice underway, the attention focuses on working toward becoming competitive in the CCAC, for it was St. Xavier who knocked the Lakers out of the playoffs in the second round. Under the senior leadership of shooting guard Ryan Sexson, point guard Dion Banks, and forward Drew Hall, each handling their role as the three team captains, the hope for the season ahead is improvement.

"Our goal is the same as last year, trying to win the conference. This season is a continuation from last year, for us to get bigger, better, and stronger, plus to get some of our new players to dwell in," Banks said.

"Coach Hayes is expecting more from us returning players, as well as playing a different offense, and trying to get more confident on it."

Mixed in with the returning bunch, three new freshmen will make their debut with the Lakers, including guard Tyler Reash, who played high school ball at Lafayette Jefferson, which has produced one of the best high school programs in the state.

Another freshman that brings good athletic ability with him, Larry Keilman from Hammond, will see playing time as a small forward, for his strength comes in hitting three-point shots; while center Bill Watson brings size in the middle at 6'8".

Currently, the Lakers are concentrating on a number of key areas, especially in running new offensive set-ups for a team that had a good shooting percentage last year. What played a negative factor for the Lakers last season was committing turnovers, for it cost them a number of games. They hope to improve on that area this year.

"Coach Hayes is expecting more from us returning players, as well as playing a different offense, and trying to get more confident on it."
Dion Banks,
Lakers' point guard

"What we must do is not get ahead of ourselves. The one thing we want to do is not make the little mistakes that could cost us," Hayes said.

In all, the Lakers get back to business as a club with experience

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